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SENATE BILL No. 393

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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AN ACT concerning driver's license; amending K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 8-2110
and repealing the existing section; also repealing K.S. A. 2013 Supp. 8-2110a.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

6 Section 1. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 8-2110 is hereby amended to read as 7 follows: 8-2110. (a) Failure to comply with a traffic citation means failure 8 either to: (1) Appear before any district or municipal court in response to a 9 traffic citation and pay in full any fine and court costs imposed; or (2) 10 otherwise comply with a traffic citation as provided in K.S.A. 8-2118, and 11 amendments thereto. Failure to comply with a traffic citation is a 12 misdemeanor, regardless of the disposition of the charge for which such 13 citation was originally issued.

14 (b) (1) In addition to penalties of law applicable under subsection (a), when a person fails to comply with a traffic citation, except for illegal 15 16 parking, standing or stopping, the district or municipal court in which the person should have complied with the citation shall mail notice to the 17 18 person that if the person does not appear in district or municipal court or 19 pay all fines, court costs and any penalties within 30 days from the date of 20 mailing notice, the division of vehicles will be notified to suspend the 21 person's driving privileges. The district or municipal court may charge an 22 additional fee of \$5 for mailing such notice. Upon the person's failure to 23 comply within such 30 days of mailing notice, the district or municipal 24 court shall electronically notify the division of vehicles. Upon receipt of a 25 report of a failure to comply with a traffic citation under this subsection, 26 pursuant to K.S.A. 8-255, and amendments thereto, the division of 27 vehicles shall notify the violator and suspend the license of the violator 28 until satisfactory evidence of compliance with the terms of the traffic 29 citation has been furnished to the informing court. When the court 30 determines the person has complied with the terms of the traffic citation, 31 the court shall immediately electronically notify the division of vehicles of 32 such compliance. Upon receipt of notification of such compliance from the 33 informing court, the division of vehicles shall terminate the suspension or 34 suspension action.

35 (2) (A) In lieu of suspension under paragraph (1), the driver may 36 submit to the division of vehicles a written request for restricted driving 1 privileges, with a non-refundable \$25 application fee, to be applied by the 2 division of vehicles for additional administrative costs to implement 3 restricted driving privileges. The division shall remit all restricted driving 4 privilege application fees to the state treasurer in accordance with the 5 provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of 6 each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in 7 the state treasury to the credit of the division of vehicles operating fund.

8 (B) A person whose driver's license has expired during the period 9 when such person's drivers license has been suspended for failure to pay 10 fines for traffic citations, the driver may submit to the division of vehicles a written request for restricted driving privileges, with a non-refundable 11 12 \$25 application fee, to be applied by the division of vehicles for additional administrative costs to implement restricted driving privileges. The 13 division shall remit all restricted driving privilege application fees to the 14 15 state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and 16 amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state 17 treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit 18 of the division of vehicles operating fund. An individual shall not qualify 19 for restricted driving privileges pursuant to this section unless the 20 following conditions are met: (i) The suspended license that expired was 21 issued by the division of vehicles; (ii) the suspended license resulted 22 from the individual's failure to comply with a traffic citation pursuant to 23 subsection (b)(1); (iii) the traffic citation that resulted in the failure to 24 comply pursuant to subsection (b)(1) was issued in this state; and (iv) the 25 individual has not previously received a staved suspension as a result of 26 a driving while suspended conviction.

27 (B) (C) Upon review and approval of the driver's eligibility, the 28 driving privileges will be restricted by the division of vehicles for a period 29 up to one year or until the terms of the traffic citation have been complied 30 with and the court shall immediately electronically notify the division of 31 vehicles of such compliance. If the driver fails to comply with the traffic 32 citation within the one year restricted period, the driving privileges will be 33 suspended by the division of vehicles until the court determines the person 34 has complied with the terms of the traffic citation and the court shall 35 immediately electronically notify the division of vehicles of such 36 compliance. Upon receipt of notification of such compliance from the 37 informing court, the division of vehicles shall terminate the suspension 38 action. When restricted driving privileges are approved pursuant to this 39 section, the person's driving privileges shall be restricted to driving only 40 under the following circumstances: (i) In going to or returning from the 41 person's place of employment or schooling; (ii) in the course of the 42 person's employment; (iii) in going to or returning from an appointment 43 with a health care provider or during a medical emergency; and (iv) in 1 going to and returning from probation or parole meetings, drug or alcohol 2 counseling or any place the person is required to go by a court.

3 (c) Except as provided in subsection (d), when the district or 4 municipal court notifies the division of vehicles of a failure to comply with 5 a traffic citation pursuant to subsection (b), the court shall assess a 6 reinstatement fee of \$59 for each charge on which the person failed to 7 make satisfaction regardless of the disposition of the charge for which 8 such citation was originally issued and regardless of any application for 9 restricted driving privileges. Such reinstatement fee shall be in addition to 10 any fine, restricted driving privilege application fee, district or municipal court costs and other penalties. The court shall remit all reinstatement fees 11 12 to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, 13 and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state 14 treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury and shall 15 credit 42.37% of such moneys to the division of vehicles operating fund, 16 31.78% to the community alcoholism and intoxication programs fund 17 created by K.S.A. 41-1126, and amendments thereto, 10.59% to the 18 juvenile detention facilities fund created by K.S.A. 79-4803, and 19 amendments thereto, and 15.26% to the judicial branch nonjudicial salary 20 adjustment fund created by K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 20-1a15, and amendments 21 thereto.

22 The district court or municipal court shall waive the reinstatement (d) 23 fee provided for in subsection (c), if the failure to comply with a traffic 24 citation was the result of such person enlisting in or being drafted into the 25 armed services of the United States, being called into service as a member 26 of a reserve component of the military service of the United States, or 27 volunteering for such active duty, or being called into service as a member 28 of the state of Kansas national guard, or volunteering for such active duty, 29 and being absent from Kansas because of such military service. In any 30 case of a failure to comply with a traffic citation which occurred on or 31 after August 1, 1990, and prior to the effective date of this act, in which a 32 person was assessed and paid a reinstatement fee and the person failed to 33 comply with a traffic citation because the person was absent from Kansas 34 because of any such military service, the reinstatement fee shall be 35 reimbursed to such person upon application therefor. The state treasurer 36 and the director of accounts and reports shall prescribe procedures for all 37 such reimbursement payments and shall create appropriate accounts, make 38 appropriate accounting entries and issue such appropriate vouchers and 39 warrants as may be required to make such reimbursement payments.

40 Except as provided further, the reinstatement fee established in (e) this section shall be the only fee collected or moneys in the nature of a fee 41 42 collected for such reinstatement. Such fee shall only be established by an 43 act of the legislature and no other authority is established by law or

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1 otherwise to collect a fee. On and after the effective date of this act-

2 through June 30, 2013 July 1, 2013, through July 1, 2015, the supreme

3 court may impose an additional charge, not to exceed \$22 per 4 reinstatement fee, to fund the costs of non-judicial personnel.

- 5 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 8-2110 and 8-2110a are hereby repealed.
- 6 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 7 publication in the statute book.